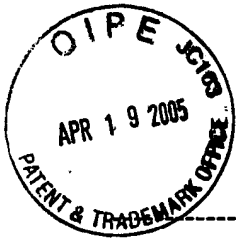


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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION & AMENDMENT

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated December 16, 2004, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application, as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please enter the amendments to the Claims, as shown in the marked-up listing of Claims appended hereto.

REMARKS

In response to the Examiner's rejection of Claims as unpatentable over the cited prior art, Applicant herein amends the Claims to define the novel subject matter of the invention more distinctly. The invention proceeds from the recognition that as ocean wave energy traverses through the water body, the water particle motion is orbital and is distributed such that